COUNCILLORS’ ANNUAL REPORTS 2014 - 2015

Councillor: Susan Hinchcliffe
Ward: Windhill & Wrose
Party: Labour
Date Elected: 05/05/11
Basic: £13173.36
Special Responsibility: £25380.72
Other Council Remunerations:

Positions held:
EXECUTIVE
Shipley Area Committee

How many neighbourhood forums have you attended? (Please state a number and not all)
3

Other meetings/bodies which you regularly attend: (e.g School governing bodies outside bodies etc)

School Governing Body meetings for Windhill Christchurch Academy where I am a Governor
Wrose Parish Council
Wrose Action Group
Bolton Villas Residents Meeting
Wrose Carnival
Airedale Masterplan (Chair)
Manningham Masterplan (Chair)
CRUVL – Council appointed Director
City of Film – Board Member
Owlet Children’s Centre Board
Apprenticeship Training Agency (Chair)
My priorities for the past year were (May 2014 to May 2015)

To be responsive to my constituents and to do my best to help them when they need me.

To promote Bradford and fight for funding and investment in the district. The district needs a fairer share of funding given its needs but also its potential as a youthful and vibrant city.

To support groups and communities in becoming stronger and more sustainable so that they can continue to operate and provide that important social infrastructure that we all rely on.

My priorities for the coming year (May 2015 to May 2016) are:
(Please list or describe your priorities or targets as a Councillor for the coming year)

To work hard for my constituents and support them with whatever issue they have.

Working as part of a strong local Labour Action Team in Windhill & Wrose, make sure that wherever possible we attract opportunity and investment into the ward to enhance residents' lives.

Support community groups who are trying to do positive things in the community in spite of a lack of funding.

What I have achieved in the past year (May 2014 to May 2015)
(Please list or describe some of your activities as a Councillor and what you see as your key achievements)

Locally supporting residents to steer their way through difficult situations is one of the most rewarding parts of the role of being a councillor. The confidential nature of the work means that I cannot outline details of individual cases.

I’m pleased to have been able to support a fantastic group of volunteers to get Wrose Carnival off the ground again. They’ve worked tremendously hard and I’ve been able to play my part in getting the right support in when they needed it. All we need now is good weather on 4 July and sadly this is not something I can arrange!

Across Bradford I have managed to massively improve the relationship we as a district have with the Arts Council. So much so that we saw funding increase by 58% over the last year, a tremendous boon for the district at a time when funding is so hard to find.
I also lead on Employment and Skills across Bradford and am very proud that we have managed to get over 1000 people into work so far, with more opportunities still to come. It’s great to be able to give people the opportunity to shine.

What training sessions, seminars, briefings and conferences have you attended to develop your skills and gain knowledge that has helped you to serve the people of the district? (Please list them).

Safeguarding training for councillors – this was about how to spot the signs of sexual exploitation of adults and young people

I’ve also passed an online training module and exam on Child Sexual Exploitation and what steps to take to stop it happening in specific cases.

I also attended Labour Party Conference at my own expense.